

# Health News Release

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State revokes, suspends licenses, certifications, registrations of health care providers

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**OLYMPIA** — The Washington State Department of Health has revoked or suspended the licenses, certifications, or registrations of health care providers in our state. The department has also immediately suspended the credentials of people who have been prohibited from practicing

in other states.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Office works with boards, commissions and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency's website. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the <u>Department of Health home page</u> (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

#### **Benton County**

In November 2011 the Pharmacy Board revoked the credential of pharmacist **Kenyon N. Lyle**, **Jr.** (PH60018753). Lyle failed to comply with a previous agreement, and diverted controlled substances for his own use.

#### **Chelan County**

In November 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended the credential of registered nursing assistant **Misty Sunshine Rains** (NA00077137). When deputies performed a welfare check on a resident, they found Rains in an apparent state of intoxication. She had left the oven on and the food inside was burning and she was holding a nearly empty bottle of vodka.

#### **Clark County**

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In November 2011 the Pharmacy Board indefinitely suspended the credential of **Tammy R. Mattox** (VA00018355). Mattox diverted controlled substances from her employer for her own use.

## **Grant County**

In November 2011 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of certified nursing assistant **Judy Ann Adair** (NC10042216). Adair failed to comply with a previous order.

# **King County**

In November 2011 the Medical Commission indefinitely suspended the license of physician **Paul L. Allen** (MD00009164). Allen is unable to practice medicine with reasonable skill and safety.

In November 2011 the Massage Program suspended the credential of **Denise S. Su** (MA00015915). Su entered into a sexual relationship with a client. She also provided other clients with full body massage, including sexual contact, for a fee.

### **Pierce County**

In November 2011 the Board of Hearing and Speech indefinitely suspended the credential of hearing instrument fitter and dispenser **Nancy J. Buckner** (HA00002698). Buckner failed to refund a client for unsatisfactory hearing aids, provided inaccurate addresses for her home and business, and used Social Security numbers and a name that didn't belong to her. She also failed to respond to Department of Health inquiries regarding the Social Security numbers.

In November 2011 the Medical Commission withdrew the April 11, 2011 statement of charges against physician **Spencer A. Coray** (MD00043805).

In November 2011 the Pharmacy Board withdrew the statement of charges against pharmacy technician **Stephanie A. Fahlbeck** (VA00045438).

#### San Juan County

In November 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program suspended the credential of **Clinton W. Mills** (CP00006237). Mills crossed professional boundaries with a patient, failed to report substance abuse by a patient to the patient's probation officer, and used a diploma from an unaccredited university to obtain payment from the state of Washington for services provided to a client. Mills was also reprimanded by the program for using a fake diploma to attempt to establish his credentials to provide services.

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In November 2011 the Chemical Dependency Professional Program suspended the credential of **Candie Rae Campbell** (CP00002262). Campbell failed to comply with a previous stipulation.

In November 2011 the Unlicensed Practice Program ordered **Ted Neff** to permanently cease and desist from any and all conduct constituting the practice as an athletic trainer and physician in Washington, unless he has obtained a credential or otherwise meets an exception.

## **Spokane County**

In November 2011 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the licenses of registered nurse and advanced registered nurse practitioner anesthetist **Kevan D. Kemp** (RN00135528, AP30006243-CRNA). Kemp failed to comply with a previous stipulation.

In November 2011 the Secretary of Health withdrew the May 3, 2011 statement of charges against massage practitioner **Stephen E. Wells** (MA00022350).

# **Thurston County**

In November 2011 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the licenses of registered nurse and advanced registered nurse practitioner **Elizabeth Anderson** (RN00130725, AP30005512-AP). Anderson is unable to practice with reasonable skill and safety.

In November 2011 the Emergency Medical Services and Trauma System Programs suspended the credential of emergency medical technician **Bobby G. Hicks** (ES60034291). Hicks was convicted of vehicular homicide-reckless, and hit and run death in 2011

In November 2011 the Agency Affiliated Counselor Program suspended the credential of **Marcus Dwain Wooten** (CG60126669). Wooten entered into a sexual relationship with a patient and asked another patient to masturbate in front of him.

# Walla Walla County

In November 2011 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the license of registered nurse **Bob L. Ratcliff** (RN00159108). Ratcliff failed to comply with a previous order.

#### **Whitman County**

In November 2011 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the license of registered nurse **Linda L. Westby** (RN00115010). Westby failed to comply with a previous order.

#### **Out of State**

**Idaho:** In November 2011 the Massage Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Glenn C. Ray** (MA60222014). Ray failed to comply with a previous agreement.

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**Illinois:** In November 2011 the Nursing Commission summarily suspended the license of registered nurse **Christine C. Trupp** (RN00168166). Her application to practice as a registered nurse in Oklahoma was denied for fraud, deceit, or material deception in getting or attempting to get a license in that state.

**Iowa:** In November 2011 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the license of registered nurse **Gregory G. Pithan** (RN00151958). Pithan's license to practice as a registered nurse in California was revoked.

**Kentucky**: In November 2011 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the license of registered nurse **Laura Ann Petering** (RN00176617). Petering voluntarily surrendered her license to practice nursing in Oregon.

**New Jersey:** In November 2011 the Medical Commission indefinitely suspended the license of physician **Karl S. Buekers** (MD00048008). Buekers' license to practice medicine in California is on probation.

**New York:** In November 2011 the Medical Commission summarily suspended the license of physician **Duk K. Choi** (MD00039157). Choi's license to practice as a physician and surgeon in Pennsylvania was suspended.

**Oregon:** In November 2011 the Nursing Assistant and Health Care Assistant Programs suspended the credentials of certified nursing assistant and health care assistant **Mindy R. Garcia** (NC10091985, HC00152376). Garcia admitted to a history of cocaine use as well as several relapses going back to at least 2007.

**Oregon:** In November 2011 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the license of registered nurse **Judith K. Middleton** (LP00027494). Middleton failed to comply with a previous order.

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